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1. On 4 November 1948 the following Soviet naval vessels were anchored in the Port Arthur East Harbor:
- a. Nine torpedo boats: *
 - 2 of 140 tons each
 - 2 of 100 tons each
 - 5 of 80 tons eachTwo of the torpedo boats make frequent sea cruises from the east harbor.
 - b. Eleven amphibious vessels.
 - c. Two destroyer escorts. Each has a displacement of 350 tons, a speed of 27 knots, a crew of 75, and is armed with one 12 mm gun, five 3 cm guns and three torpedo launchers.
 - d. One armored coastal defense vessel. This ship has a displacement of 4,571 tons, a speed of 16 knots, a crew of 411, and carries the following armament:
 - Four 9-inch guns
 - Ten 6-inch guns
 - Fourteen small caliber gunsThe ship has an armored plating 10 inches thick, and carries one small airplane. It entered the harbor on 2 October 1948.
 - e. One 8,300-ton transport ship. The transport entered the east harbor on 24 October 1948. On 26 October forty-four 88 mm anti-aircraft guns were unloaded. Eleven guns were shipped to the Sanchiupao Airfield (121-18,38-54) on 26 October, and one to Huangchinshan (黄金山) on 27 October. Thirty-two of the anti-aircraft guns, still on the wharf on 4 November, were covered and guarded by two Soviet military police.
2. The following vessels were anchored in the Port Arthur West Harbor: **
- a. Sailing vessels:
 - 82, with 5 to 10 tons carrying capacity.
 - 137, with 3 to 5 tons capacity.
 - 41, with 10 to 20 tons capacity.

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- b. Nine amphibious vessels (Russian-operated).
- c. One hospital ship.
- d. One 7,500-ton transport. On 3 November it was being loaded with soy beans prior to leaving.
- e. One 8,300-ton camouflaged cruiser. It has a speed of 20 knots, and often goes to Vladivostok.

25X1A6a * ~~SECRET~~ Comment. In paragraph 1 (a) the tonnage of the vessels is much higher than is usual for torpedo boats; they are probably submarine chasers.

25X1A6a ** ~~SECRET~~ Comment. Source did not specify, but evidently the vessels listed in paragraph 2 under (a) are Chinese vessels, and the rest are Soviet ships.

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